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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PCT International Application of:)

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Int. Appl No.: PCT/EP2003/050792)

US serial no. 10/534,179)

Int. Filing Date: 5 November 2003)

INHIBITING BREAKTHROUGH OF DRIVING)

FLUID VIA A PERMEABLE GEOLOGICAL)

LAYER INTO AN OIL PRODUCTION WELL)

Examiner: Angela M. Ditrani

Art Unit: 3676

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Dear Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time in accordance with 37
CFR 1.136(a).

Please charge the \$450.00 fee to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No.
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